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First Preliminary Amendment

REMARKS

The specification is amended in accordance with 37 CFR §1.78 to make reference to the

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International Application from which this application originates and to incorporate by reference the

Japanese priority applications. Also the specification is amended to conform to U.S. practice. A

marked-up copy and a clean copy of the substitute specification are provided.

Claims 5-8 have been amended to eliminate multiply dependency. Claims 9-12 have been

added to restore the subject matters that was removed as a result of the amendment and to further

claim what the applicants regard as the invention. New claims are fully supported by the original

claims and the specification. The amendment is made to reduce filing fees and not for any other

reason related to patentability of such claims.

Abstract has been amended to conform to U.S. practice.

No new matter has been added by these amendments.

In view of the above amendment, applicant believes the pending application is in condition

for allowance.

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